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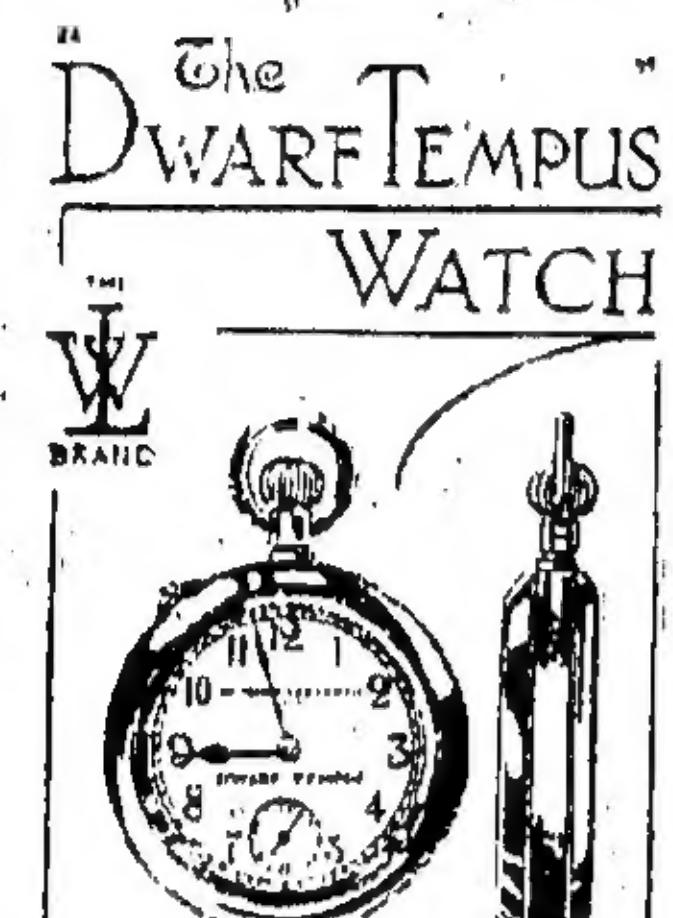
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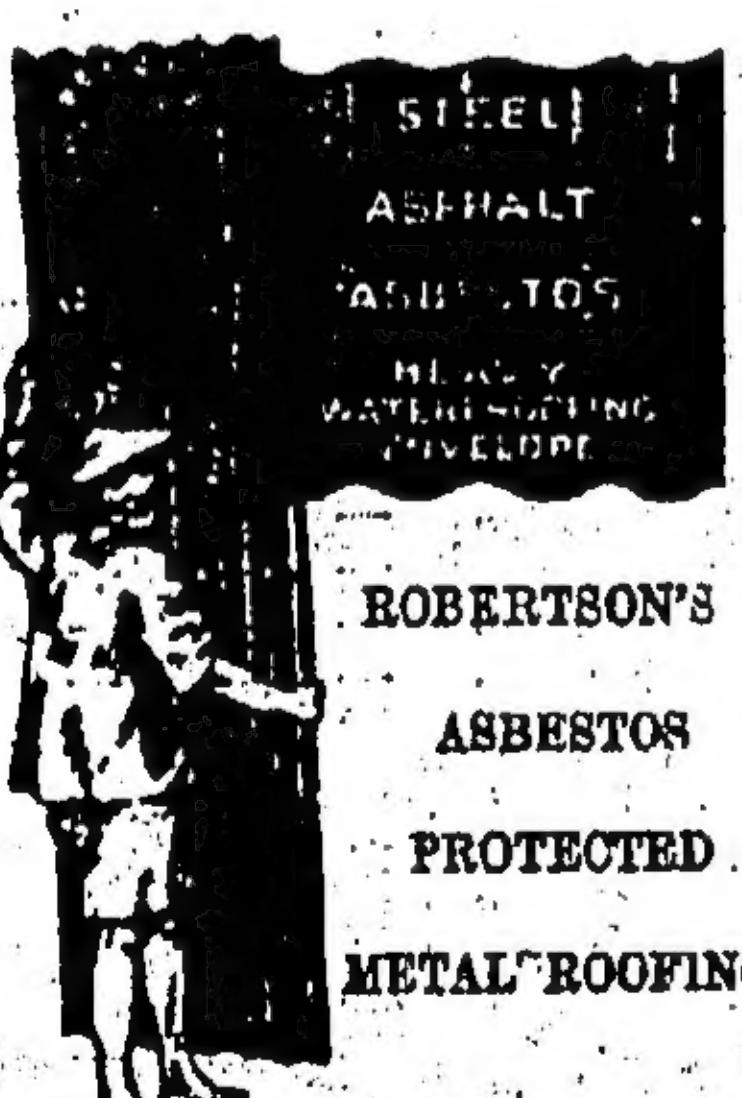
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TRAGIC DEATH.

MYSTERIOUS DIVING ACCIDENT.

LIFE LINE SNAPS.

EUROPEAN'S PLUCKY DIVE INTO DANGER ZONE.

A Chinese diver met his death under tragic but mysterious circumstances while engaged at work behind the Hongkong Electric Company's installation at North Point on Saturday forenoon.

The water for cooling the condensers is drawn from the sea and is treated by four circulating suction pumps near the sea wall. Two of the pumps had been put out of action for the purpose of cleaning the grating through which the water flows into the circulating system and work had been proceeding for some days.

The diver dressed in full gear went down the ladder as usual on Saturday morning to carry out the work in a depth of water estimated at about 12 feet. It is said that the man who was holding the life line fell a sudden pull on the rope and a length of about six feet was wrenched away from his hand at the time the diver was expected to have touched bottom. Surmising that something had happened, the man attempted to haul up the life line, but met with resistance. Having given the alarm he continued to pull until the rope broke by coming in contact with the coping of the sea wall.

The alarm brought to the scene Mr. W. R. Smith, of the generating station staff, who was in the office at the time. Divesting himself of his superfluous clothing, Mr. Smith dived in with a rope, which he fastened to the diver, and with many hands at the rope the man was drawn to the surface in a helpless condition.

As the work of removing the man's rubber suit would have taken some time and every minute was valuable in saving his life, the suit was torn open and the head piece was quickly removed. It is stated that the man was unconscious, but shewed signs of breathing, and the only injury to his body was a bruise on his forehead. Medical assistance was summoned and in the meantime artificial respiration was applied, but the efforts of the rescuers proved to be of no avail, as the doctors who arrived soon after pronounced the man to be dead. Sir E. Stuart Taylor, M.D. was present, but declined at that stage to give an opinion as to the cause of the man's death.

The water is fed through 26 inch diameter pipes at the foot of the circulating pumps, and it is surmised that the diver for some unknown reason turned in the direction of the nearest of the two pumps which were working and was drawn by suction to the pipe head.

The force of the impact with some object under the water must have been considerable, as the copper head piece which was seen by a "Mail" man was badly dented on the head and the vision glasses were partly torn from the frame, allowing water to flow through. The condition of this part of the diving gear points to the man having been drawn head first and he was apparently rendered unconscious almost immediately after the impact.

It is clear that Mr. Smith undertook a very risky venture in diving down and reaching the man in a spot which as has already been seen was attended with danger. It is stated that had he waited for the remaining pumps to be stopped before going down, much time would have been lost and the electric supply would have been cut off.

In the course of inquiries it was stated that the deceased belonged to a family of experienced divers, his brother being in the employment of the Netherlands Harbour Works, and that he had been in the service of the Hongkong Electric Company for many years. The Electric Company, however, states definitely that the man has not been working for them.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.
The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 25.1.16.

"NEAR" SWATOW.

REPORTED ANTI-RED MOVES.

CHAN COMING BACK?

Reports are current in the Colony that there is considerable activity in such districts as Wai Loi, which form the hinterland of Swatow, generally known as the East River region.

Scattered here and there are different armies — varying in strength — under General Chan Kwing-ming's banner. United, they would be a formidable force. At present they are, according to a staff officer seen this morning by a "China Mail" reporter, re-organising and resting.

It was even stated that the Bolshevik hold on Swatow had been checked but this may be premature. However, there seems little doubt that troops have been on the move, and to the advantage of the anti-Red forces.

The staff officer interviewed also told the "China Mail" that General Chan Kwing-ming was expected to sail from Shanghai very shortly for Hongkong, to go up-country.

Certain significance is also attached to a number of very high military officers having passed through recently.

MATE'S WAGES.

ORDER IN RESPECT OF S.S. "ANJOU."

A STAY REPUGNED.

On the grounds that it had been impossible for the ship to do any business, the manager of the company owning the s.s. "Anjou," applied for a stay of execution in respect of an order made, against him in the Supreme Court this morning. This was for the payment to the Chief Officer of the ship of wages amounting to \$432.

Mr. T. Addis, instructed by Mr. W. B. Hind, was for the plaintiff and the claim was not contested.

Chief Officer John Stutter Wilson formally proved the claim, stating that he joined the ship on July 11, and left on August 24, during which time he had been paid nothing. His salary was \$200 a month.

The Chief Justice refused the application for a stay of execution.

BURIAL AT SEA.

LAST TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN JAMES SCOTT.

The "Straits Times" records the death of Captain James Smith Scott, a very well-known figure in shipping circles at Singapore who passed away at the Grosvenor Hotel.

The late Captain Scott, who was aged 69, was probably the doyen of Straits skippers. He first came in Singapore in 1871, and he had been connected with the port ever since, having commanded many vessels during that time. His last ship was the "Ban Teck Guan," running between Singapore and Malacca, and he retired from the sea six months ago.

It had always been Captain Scott's express desire that he should be buried at sea, and his wish was respected, the burial taking place in the main strait of Singapore.

The Government launch "Mars" left Johnston's Pk. at eight o'clock with a large gathering of friends of the deceased on board, while many others were left behind on the pier. The launch proceeded a distance of about five miles in the direction of Pulau Samboe, where the burial service was read by the Rev. G. H. Douglas, and the weighted coffin consigned to the deep.

Among those on board were Mr. Upton, of the P.W.D. in Johore, the deceased's son-in-law, Captain Leighton, representing the Straits Merchant Service Guild, Captain Snow, representing the Pilots Association, and Capt. Chambers, senior boarding officer at Singapore.

For throwing coal into the harbour, with ulterior motives, a Chinese was sentenced to a month's hard labour at the Marine Court this morning.

SHARE DEAL.

CLIENT AND BROKER AT LAW.

ABSENT PLAINTIFF.

A deal in shares which the plaintiff claimed had not matured because of the alleged misappropriation of defendant was to have been heard in the Supreme Court this morning but plaintiff did not put in an appearance. Mr. W. B. Hind, who was instructed by him, said that he had heard he had gone to Canton.

The deal in question was between Cheung Cheuk-fap (plaintiff) and Pun Maung-lun in respect of 600 Green Island Cement shares.

The plaintiff alleged that the defendant was acting as his agent when he bought the shares and that he refused to re-deliver them when the plaintiff paid principal and interest. The terms of the agreement, claimed plaintiff, were that \$2,000 was paid by him to the defendant and the balance \$13,000 was advanced by the defendant, on account, at 6% of interest of \$1 per mil. per month against the security of the shares.

As against the \$15,000 paid for the 600 Green Island Cement shares, the plaintiff alleged that he sold them for \$18,000 only to find that the defendant would not re-deliver them for payment of interest and principal.

Plaintiff therefore claimed \$8,600, this representing the value of the shares on the day in question, less \$10,000 amount due to the defendant.

The case was adjourned until Saturday morning for the plaintiff to show cause why the case should not be struck out of the list.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Althaster, K.C., (instructed by Hastings, Hastings, Dennis and Bowley) appeared for the defendant.

THE WEATHER.

BALINTANG CHANNEL TYPHOON.

FINE FORECAST.

First reported almost stationary and now stated to be inclining slowly Northward, a typhoon is near the Balintang Channel, which is the southern of the two passages which separate the Philippines from Formosa. It is through these channels, the Balintang and the Bashi, that most of the big typhoons that strike Hongkong enter the South China Sea from the outer Pacific.

The position indicated is a good distance from the 300 miles radius. As the depression is going towards the North, the danger is not apparent.

At any rate, the forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon tomorrow reads: — North winds, moderate; fine.

For the Formosa Channel, the forecast is: — North winds, strong.

It is interesting to note that near Amoy yesterday the wind force registered about 7 (Beaufort scale) which is fairly strong blowing.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

TRAMS AND LORRIES COLLIDE.

WOMEN INJURED.

In the report of week-end accidents appear two collisions between motor lorries and tram cars, one at Shaukiwan Road, and the other at Wong Nai Chung Road near the race course. In each case the hand rails of the tram cars were damaged.

A fracture of the right leg was sustained by an old Chinese woman when she was knocked down by a taxi at Pokfulam Road.

At Bulkeley Street, Hongkong, a Chinese woman emerged from the rear of a stationary motor bus and walked into a moving vehicle.

She was knocked down and sustained slight injuries.

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"HONAM" BLINDED!

CURIOS SIDELIGHT ON CHINESE MENTALITY.

VOYAGE INCIDENTS.

Junks and boats with eyes painted on the bows are by no means uncommon in Chinese waters. That the superstition which caused them to be placed there when the vessels were built so that they could see their way to port is still firmly implanted in the minds of some Chinese is demonstrated by the trouble which has been taken to perform an optical operation on the s.s. "Honam."

Since the "Honam" was built some forty-five years ago, two eyes, placed there in conformity with the old custom, have established the port and starboard sides, but during Saturday night the one on the port paddle box was removed. That this was done deliberately presumably in the hope that minus one eye the "Honam" would not be able to continue her runs to Canton is obvious from the thoroughness of the "operation," a panel, nine feet by six, and of considerable thickness, having been removed.

The "Honam" at the time was lying at the local wharf of the Steamboat Company after her latest voyage to Canton. The strike picketing experienced at Canton was more strict than ever, and not a Chinese passenger of the forty taken up was able to land. A special motor boat accompanied by an armed escort took off a number of missionaries returning to the Canton Christian College, and launches sent for other European passengers wishing to land on Shumneen were not interfered with.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak was one of the European passengers. His trip was undertaken in connection with the business of the steamboat company, but he could not say anything regarding the policy of the Company in connection with the future running of the "Honam" until he had discussed the matter at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

For the present the "Honam" will continue her Hongkong-Canton service as usual.

Whilst on Shumneen, Mr. Holyoak and Mr. Mc. Messer discussed the present situation with Sir James Jamieson, the British Consul-General.

To-day's Trip.

This morning very few Chinese passengers and no cargo went up. A number of missionaries who had arrived by the "President Adams" went up as did some Indian merchants and Japanese. The few Chinese who did go travelled second class and bore the appearance of servants.

STOWAWAYS.

FREE TRIP TO SAN FRANCISCO.

FILIPINOS IN COURT.

Three Filipinos were brought before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of stowing away from Manila on board the s.s. "President Cleveland."

One of the accused pleaded guilty and said that he intended going to San Francisco.

His Worship said that he would like to hear the evidence of the chief officer of the vessel, but Inspector Cashman stated that this was not possible as the boat arrived from Manila on Friday and sailed the following day. The Inspector added that the prisoners were not handed over to the Police until 3 p.m. on Saturday.

The accused were acquitted of the offence, the Magistrate remarking that the ship's officers had acted in a high-handed manner, and they will be sent back to Manila.

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ARMY DECIIMATED.

EX-CANTON "STRONG MAN" ROUTED.

CAMPAIGN IN KWANGSI.

General Fan Shek-sang's army of Yunnanese mercenaries has been decimated in Kwangsi province, according to a report in the "Kung Sheung Yat Po."

This general was once the strong man of Canton but he took his army away to wreak revenge on Tschun Tang Chi-yao of Yunnan.

Several actions were fought in "neutral" ground,

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Harbin, Shanghai.

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Karachi, Soerabaya.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

LANCASHIRE'S LOSSES.

THE TROUBLE IN CHINA.

A total irrecoverable loss to Lancashire so far of £22,000,000 was the grave estimate of one of the leading Manchester shippers on August 5, of the trading set-back which the country has suffered from the unrest in China. He estimated that this country's trading loss was £75,000 a month, of which by far the greater part is directly lost to the Lancashire cotton trade. In round figures about a million pounds' worth of cotton goods is ordinarily exported to China from Lancashire, and the published reports for June show this to have declined to only £636,000 worth, and it should be noted that this exportation concerned many commitments entered into before the trouble in China began. One substantial factor in reducing the export by £100,000 has been the action of shippers and manufacturers in withholding goods rather than run the risk of losing them. Even with the quick recovery, the shipper declared, the ultimate dead loss would probably be £2,000,000.

BACKHAND BUYING.

A daily paper published during the first week in August states that the position in China is improving.

Events have proved, it continues, that the shipping strike and boycott are not so effective as a few weeks ago, and that it is now possible to run restricted steamer services to some of the ports and clear a moderate amount of cargo. Buying for China is beginning to show more life, and it only needs a resumption of the auctions to set demand moving briskly again.

This view is endorsed in "The Financial News" by a responsible and reliable authority in close touch with current Chinese affairs, who states that while the official boycott on British goods continues in force, it is characteristic of the Chinese as a nation that a good deal of "backhand" trading is being carried on.

Figures which have been put forward from time to time as actual losses must not be so easily treated as such.

Large stocks are carried by merchants in the principal commercial centres, and these are being worked off gradually.

British merchants with old-established connections in the Republic know their China well, and if the full extent of the "backhand" trading could be made public, it would go far to reassure those who view the position with alarm.

During the past eight weeks stocks of British, and also other European merchandise in the country, have been absorbed quietly, and now that the disturbances are assuming a less serious aspect, the time for the full replenishment of these stocks cannot be far distant.

Once a condition near to normal is established much ground temporarily lost will be regained.

One aspect of the situation should not be overlooked.

While Britain is overwhelmed with domestic troubles, and the operation of an official boycott in her valuable Chinese market, other European countries are not letting the grass grow under their feet, and it is, in consequence, not surprising to learn that German traders in particular are preparing an active commercial campaign.

RICH—SOCIALIST'S BEQUESTS.

Land for Tenants "Who Are Actual Owners."

The remarkable will of Mr. Evangelion Gerasimou Raptopoulos, a Greek, of Karachi, India, has been filed at Somerset House. The value of the English portion of the estate is £14,391.

The outstanding bequest in this human document gives his landed property in Greece, with certain exceptions, "to the tenant-cultivators, lessees, collectors of produce, etc., whether they are regular ones or extraordinary (temporary) ones, even for a period of ten days, who happen to be in occupation on the day on which this will be published, they being the actual owners since they were cultivators thereof."

HIS MAXIM.

"I do this being a Socialist from

my early age (Thou shall eat thy bread at the sweat of thy brow.)"

Other bequests include sums

for the construction of schools;

for dowries for ten girls;

"if possible literate and presenting a certificate that they are healthy, free from hereditary disease, and quite sound of body," for ten boys, "for their studies"; and many others for charitable and Church purposes.

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MILITARY SPORT.

ALL BRANCHES FOR THE ARMY.

The latest Command Orders publish the following information regarding Garrison sports:

FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

A meeting to arrange details of this League will be held in D.O.R.E. II Office Wellington Barracks at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday, 17th inst. Units are requested to detail a representative to attend.

TENNIS LEAGUE.

Matches for this week:

Monday.—R.A.O.C. v. R.A.S.C.

Tuesday.—Small Units v. R.E.

"B."

Wednesday.—H.Q. Wing, East

Surrey Regiment, v. R.A.M.C.

Thursday.—"A" Co., East

Surrey Regiment v. "D" Co.,

East Surrey Regiment.

Friday.—R.E. "A" v. "B" Co.,

East Surrey Regiment.

Play to commence each day at 4 p.m.

Tennis Doubles Championship.—The Challenge Cup and

Souvenirs will be competed for at the termination of the Garrison

Tennis League.

Conditions.—Open doubles from Units, open to W.O.s, N.C.O.s and Men of the Garrison. Any member of pairs from the same Unit. Games to be on the knock-out principle, best of three sets. Final to be best of five sets. No competition unless sixteen entries are received. Entries together with entrance fees of £2 per pair to be sent to the Tennis Secretary, Mr. G. T. May, Barrack Office, by Wednesday.

SWIMMING GALA.

H.E. the G.O.C. has kindly consented to present the Challenge Cup and Medals to the winners and runners-up of the Garrison Water Polo League, Garrison Unit Relay and Army Swimming Championship.

Programme.—Unit Relay Race Championship Cup, Individual Army Championship Race Challenge Cup, Water Polo.—Winners versus the rest of the League.

Commence 4.30 p.m., Wednesday, 23rd instant, in the R.A.S.C. Camber.

Entries with fee of £5 for the Unit Relay Race, to be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary, G.R.C., Wellington Barracks, by 12 noon on the 19th inst.

Rules.—Teams of 7 men from Companies, Battalions, R.F. Small Units or any Departmental Corps, may enter as a team separately.

Distance:

1st man to swim free style, 30yds.
2nd " " 60yds.
3rd " " 90yds.
4th " " 90yds.
5th " " 60yds.
6th " " 30yds.
7th " " 60yds.

Entries for Individual Championships with fee of £1 to reach the Hon. Secretary, G.R.C., by noon on the 19th inst.

Rules.—Open to all ranks. Distance.—90yds. breast stroke. 90yds. back stroke. 90yds. style.

BILLIARDS.

Entries with fee of £5 for Garrison Billiards Challenger Cup (eight a side) to be forwarded to the Hon. Sec., G.R.C., by 12 noon on the 19th inst. Rules will be forwarded to all concerned early next week. Play to commence on 21st inst.

Military Amateur Championship of the Colony.—Entries with fee of 50 cents to be forwarded to the Hon. Sec., G.R.C., by 12 noon on October 1. All games to be played on the match table, Soldiers' Club.

WATER POLO LEAGUE.

Matches for this week:

Monday.—"B" Co. v. 25th Hvy.

Bty.; "A" Co. v. R.E.A.M.C.

Tuesday.—"C" Co. v. "D" Co.,

25th Hvy. Bty. v. H.Q.

Wednesday.—13th Hvy. Bty. v.

"B" Co.; 25th Hvy. Bty. v.

R.E.A.M.C.

Thursday.—H.Q. v. 18th Hvy.

Bty.; 38th Hvy. Bty. v. "C" Co.

Friday.—"A" Co. v. "D" Co.,

"E" Co. v. 38th Hvy. Bty.

Saturday.—"D" Co. v. H.Q.

"C" Co. v. "A" Co.

First named team to commence at 5 p.m. sharp.

Paris, September 13.—The new taxes levied to meet the budget deficit include an increase this year derived from capital tax to twenty per cent. on commercial and industrial profits, a tax on effects and on salaries and wages, and a new tax on imports, effective next year. The assumed deficit is £10,000,000.

MOROCCO FIGHTING.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 12.

A Fez message states that after intensive artillery preparation by air and land the French troops in Morocco opened an offensive yesterday morning on all wings of the front. The last communication says that all objectives, which were the posts occupied by the French before the Rifian aggression, had been attained everywhere. The enemy, after a little resistance, began to retreat towards the North. Meanwhile the foreseen counter attacks to be opened to-night by Riffi groups are signalled by aviators. The French losses are very small—Havas.

Fez, Sept. 12.

French troops have occupied Zauiaedamjot, the capital of the Benizerial tribe, fourteen kilometers north-west of Tafrant.

To-day's communiqué states that the attacking groups enlarged their operations which are developing excellently. The advanced elements occupied new villages at points of vantage.

OPERATIONS CONTINUE.

Paris, Sept. 12.

A message from Fez says the new situation is unchanged. The enemy retired swiftly, moving northwards. Aircraft report enemy concentration on a number of fronts indicating that the Riffs are recovering from the surprise attack on the intended counter-attack last night. French operations, however, will be continued to-day and extend over the occupied area.

Franco-Spanish messages from Morocco indicate a slow but certain advance with casualties small. A Madrid communiqué says Spanish troops have reinforced the western front and have continued operations, occupying positions affording advantageous starting points for further advance. The enemy suffered heavy casualties amounting to 500 alone on the Benihozwar sector near Tetuan.

A TRAITOR?

Paris, Sept. 13.

It is reported from Algiers that M. Henriet, Communist Deputy for the Seine, who was recently at Oran and is now at Algiers, has been arrested on a charge of conspiring against the internal security of the State, as he was about to embark for Marseilles.

The French gains described in Fez despatches were notably the capture of Jebelamrot mountain commanding the whole Teroual district. The French losses were slight.

A Tangier message mentions that a friendly tribe had repelled a Riffi attack. The Riffi are strongly pressing the Spanish western front especially at Dabekkarrich, southwest of Tetuan. The enemy has been reinforced by several thousand men on the Branes front.

GARRISON HOLDS OUT.

The details of the fighting received from Fez show that the Riffi repeatedly and vigorously assaulted the small garrison on Isual Height, supported by hundred millimetre guns directed by Europeans whose white uniforms were clearly distinguishable. The Riffi reached the entanglements but were driven back and have now abandoned the attack. The centre of enemy resistance is Bibane Massif which is defended by means of trenches dug into the sides of the hills and cleverly camouflaged, but the French are likely to encircle the position. Several tribes are giving signs of submission. The French successes are attributed to accurate gunnery and the judicious use of tanks.—Reuter.

Paris, Sept. 13.

The correspondent of the "Journal" telegraphic from Melilla that anticipating the resumption of the Spanish offensive at Alhucemas the Riffs are retreating to the mountains. Aircraft are continually bombing the Adir district.

HEAVY RIFFIAN CASUALTIES

Madrid Sept. 13.

Reports from Tetuan state that the general commanding in Morocco in a communiqué says that the troops yesterday advanced two kilometers and captured a village after most obstinate fighting. The enemy left sixty dead. The Spanish losses were seventy. Reports from Melilla state that two Spanish officers and some transports without troops scuttled a landing at Wadihan on the 13th. The Riffs are said to have been annihilated in the Riffi, and the Spanish forces are reported to have advanced to the Adir.

EPIC OF THE SEA.

(Reuter's American Service.)

SHIPPING STRIKE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Durban, Sept. 12.

The s.s. "Ulysses" from Australia is the first large steamer with a British crew to sail from Durban since the strike started. It departed after a midnight meeting of the crew who decided by a two-thirds majority to take the vessel to sea.

Sydney, Sept. 12. Mr. Lang, the Premier of New South Wales, says the imprisoned seamen are regarded as political prisoners.

COSTLY DINNER.

A dinner at an hotel in Piccadilly has cost an ex-Cambridge undergraduate £1,000.

He is Mr. Everard Gates, the son of the late Mr. Ernest Gates, the Bradford millionaire, woolen manufacturer, who died two months ago, having previously given £23,000 to Cambridge University. "Don't make me out to be a boob," said Mr. Gates to a "Daily Express" representative, "or I shall be angry." As a matter of fact, I am one of the world's workers. I am Chairman although only twenty-two years old, of Ernest H. Gates and Co., Ltd., and I am just entering into a partnership for publishing books as well.

"What happened was this. I was going down to Henley, and I called in at my flat in Ryder Street to pack a suitcase. I saw a pile of letters there, including one containing, as I knew, a dividend warrant—probably cashable by bearer, but I am not yet sure—worth about £4,000. I threw them all into the bag and then drove off to the Berkeley Hotel for dinner.

"I left the car outside, but when I returned the bag had disappeared. I have informed Vine Street, and am now waiting for results.

Mr. Gates possesses an income of £40,000 a year, a flat in Ryder Street, a house in Curzon Street, two Rolls-Royces, and Buckenham Hall in Norfolk; the former residence of the late Mr. Lionel Robinson, the Australian millionaire.

Later.

The Council of State by 29 votes to 7 carried the Government resolution endorsing the conclusions of the majority report of the Muddiman committee. A proposal that the Government consider the minority report as soon as possible was rejected by 28 votes to seven.—Reuter.

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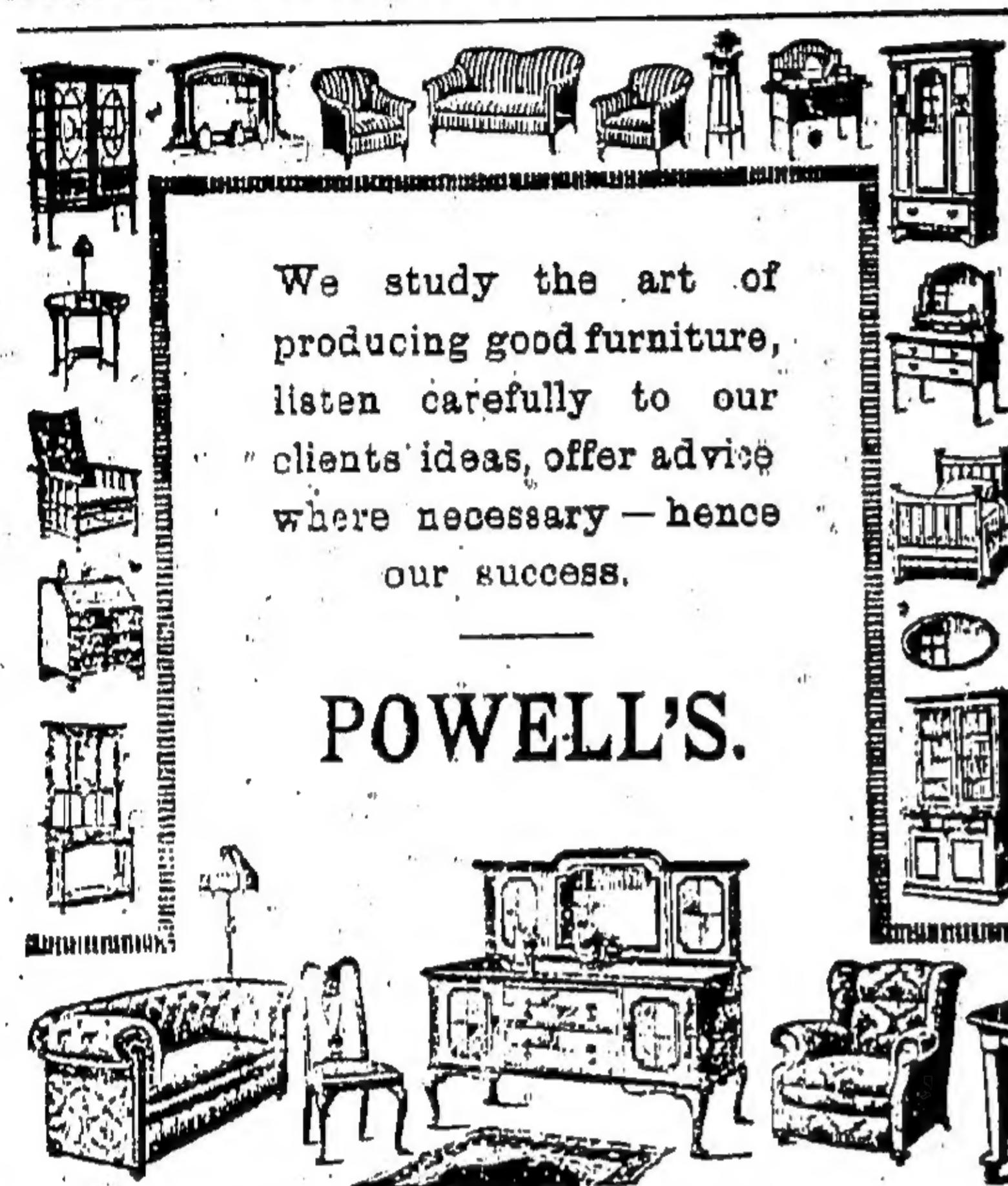
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BIRTHS.

LINDSAY.—On September 12, at 5:31, The Peak, to the Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Lindsay, the gift of a daughter.

Hongkong, Monday, Sept. 14, 1925.

SHANGHAI ENQUIRY.

Early prediction in these columns of the appointment of Sir Henry Cowper Gollan to a seat on the Commission to enquire into the outbreak at Shanghai on May 30 has been confirmed. The enquiry will probably begin in October, giving time for other nations—particularly China—to appoint their nominees. It is particularly desired that China shall appoint one of her own judges, and it seems very desirable that this should be insisted upon. Nothing should be left to chance—especially the chance of the Commission's findings being questioned, misinterpreted and entirely ignored. Britain has undertaken to abide by the decisions of the enquiry and, as an earnest, has appointed a distinguished member of its judiciary. Just as we rightly boast that our Civil Service is an incorrupt body, so we hold up our Judicial service, probably the best that civilisation has devised, and those composing it as men beyond reproach, bringing to their work a high sense of

less installations on all coasting boats in China seas," observes the "North China Daily News." "Especially has it appeared so at this juncture, for everybody knows how much difficulty there has been in arranging passages, particularly to and from the north in view of the strike conditions. The position is felt the more among the foreign community because of the fact that all these boats are to-day carrying a full complement of passengers, and in typhoon weather it becomes a matter of anxiety when ships, known to be at sea, do not arrive in port according to time-table. As a matter of fact nobody does expect the time-table to be adhered to, but a wireless message to the effect that a boat was safely anchored in some sheltered position would relieve the natural anxiety experienced on such occasions when friends and relatives are concerned. This is by no means the first time that an extended use of wireless has been urged in these columns, in fact ever since the Lammock disaster three or four years ago letters and articles have promoted the idea. We know that a good deal of progress has been made, that a wireless school for Chinese operators has been established in Hongkong, and that more and more ships are being equipped with it. All credit certainly to the shipping companies which have worked to this end, and what we should wish to do on an occasion like the present, when so much anxiety has been experienced owing to the typhoon, is to strengthen the hands of those with influence to hasten its further adoption. As one experienced navigator remarked in these columns, it is the best safety device that can be thought of on the seas, and this is the minor point that its installation would in the present case have allayed a quite natural nervousness."

It will be generally agreed that humour

AMERICAN HUMOUR is pretty much the same the world over.

The difference, if any, is in the manner used in "getting it over." We have gone through numbers of "Punch" without a smile; whilst a book of funny stories by George Robey produced one faint laugh, and two half-hearted smiles, helped on by several of H. M. Bateman's illustrations. Someone has been giving examples of American funny stories.

In his 365 examples of the standard American funny story Irvin Cobb has one of an old English actor which was intended to hit off good-humoredly one of the idiosyncrasies of the travelling Englishman. This worthy actor, as reported by Mr. Cobb, emerged from the pier with his hatbox, his umbrella, his make-up box, his grips, his tea caddy, his steamer rugs, his framed copy of "The Death of Nelson" and other prized personal belongings. He got on a street car and when it started suddenly he fell and his possessions were scattered. "There now," he said, "I knew I shouldn't like the blasted country."

Not many Hongkong people are likely to go into convulsions after reading it nor are they with the following which has always appealed to us in a quiet way. It is supposed to be American. A timid person knocks at a door of a house and asks if Mr. Jones lives there. "No, he doesn't," snaps the ill-natured slavey banging the door in his face. The timid one goes away, ponders the matter, and then returns. When the door is opened he murmurs: "Who said he did" and walks off.

Humour, what crimes are committed in thy name!

It is possible to argue DULL that part of our troubles are caused by those British people who are arrogant and ignorant, and whose outlook on life is limited. Our meaning is better explained by an extract from a recent book written by an Embassy official. He records a visit paid by the great Cecil Rhodes to Constantinople. The great man had an aide-de-camp placed at his disposal by the Sultan, who spoke French only, Rhodes speaking English only. "Look at that man," he said to me, pointing to his guide, "he can't speak English: think of what his life must be." Which remark, shocking as it was to a man

steeped in European politics, merely proved that Rhodes had the crudities of his qualities and that his true milieu was not Europe, but the place where he belonged. There are many people built like that and quite a few have wandered to this part of the world. They are the type that would settle our troubles in what is described as "two winks of a lamb's tail."

Shall we amend the PATRIOTS. National Anthem? "Rule Britannia, Britannia rules the waves; Britons never, never shall lose their sets." This is the suggestion of a London journalist on the news that principally on patriotic grounds, Cyril Tolley, the mighty swiper at golf, is giving up that game in favour of tennis. Have we any local example? Has Bill Adams who has swept the boards of silver spoons in local bowing tournaments, decided to take up cross words or patriotic lines? Not Pygmalion likely! Has the fact of prizes anything to do with ardency in sports? Will not the accumulation of these on side-boards and in cabinets be taken in the future as evidence of a dissipated life? Our idea of the laurel wreath holds good. No question of sour grapes is involved. Our athletic trophies include one silver medal (lost) gained in a walking contest, two silver spoons for tennis, and one fork and carver (marked "Sold as imperfect") for coming in third in a 220 yards race.

William Le Oue EXPLAINED. We believe put into a rhyme an explanation of the correct rendering of his name. It has much to commend it. The Liberian of Los Angeles recently complained that scarcely any of its inhabitants knew how the name was pronounced. In the hope to educate his fellow-citizens he circulated the following rhyme:

The lady would remind you please,
Her name is not Lost Angie
Or Angie anything whatever,
She hopes her friends will be so clever,
To share her fit historic pride.
The "g" must not be jellified;
"O" long, "g" hard, and rhyme with "yes."
That's all about Loce Ang-les.
Which, perhaps, had the desired effect.

CROSSING THE EQUATOR IN A DREADNOUGHT.

Have you ever crossed the line? asks a writer in the "Christian Science Monitor." Well, perhaps you have and perhaps you have not to cross it in a naval vessel, and particularly in a battleship, is an experience not soon to be forgotten.

Crossing the line is not to be taken lightly, for when you cross it you invade the realm of Neptune Rex, Ruler of the Boring Main and King of the Deep, and if you are a "landlubber" who has never crossed before, you must be brought to trial before his court. Then if found guilty you must pay the penalties inflicted by his judges.

The night before the ship arrives at the equator, generally known as "the line," it is stopped for two minutes for Davy Jones, who is King Neptune's messenger, to come aboard. On this particular occasion he had his orderly with him—a sailor dressed in a regulation uniform with a regulation flat hat all made out of red flag bunting.

Next appeared King Neptune himself with the queen and the royal baby—a big engineer covered with black grease paint and riding in a baby carriage made by putting a box on a pair of acrobatic wheels. The royal baby was much used in the ceremony later, for one of the favourite sentences of the royal judges was to kiss the royal baby.

Following the royal baby was everything royal and plebeian—ladies-in-waiting, the royal barber, the royal judges, the keepers of the royal zoo, the lions, the bears, the police, and what not. The procession reached from the bow to the stern. After marching several times around the ship with the band playing full blast, it went to the stern, where a stand had been prepared for the throne and for the royal court.

King Neptune delivered a speech to the crew and then proceeded with the trial of all "land-lubbers." The captain was first and pleaded guilty. He was fined, as were most of the officers—twenty bottles of ginger ale being the limit.

The younger officers and crew were "put through." They were shaved by the royal barber, using grease paint, put into the chamber of horrors, or last, but not least, put into a "dumping" chair and dumped into a tank constructed on deck for the purpose, there to be thoroughly scrubbed by the royal slaves.

All morning the initiation went on until about 4,000 men had been put through. It was really quite a trial for the initiates that the "initiated," and it was a good crew that turned to in the afternoon to scrub the "green" part of the paint work, the decks and themselves.

The Need for Wireless

The last weekend, during which a typhoon has much upset shipping arrangements, has served in many quarters to bring up once more the need for wireless.

And men who heard, and saw,
While memory shall be.

Still long retain the broken law
Of chivalry at sea.

C. S. J.

— "North China Daily News."

"GREAT SUCCESS."

SPANISH MOROCCO CLAIMS.

ENEMY'S HEAVY LOSSES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 13.

"Le Journal" has received a message from Melilla anticipating the resumption of the Spanish offensive at Alhucemas.

The Rifis are retiring to the mountains. Aircraft are continually bombing the Adir district.

Madrid, Sept. 13.

VILLAGE TAKEN.

A message from Tetuan states that the general commanding in Morocco in a communiqué says the troops yesterday advanced two kilometres and captured a village after very obstinate fighting. The enemy lost sixty dead. The Spanish losses were seventy.

ANOTHER FEINT.

A message from Melilla states that two Spanish cruisers and some transports without troops sailed a landing at Wadlaou on September 11. The cruisers' fire inflicted heavy casualties among the Rifis, who left cover as the vessels approached the shore.

SPANISH VICTORY.

The Spanish Embassy reports a great Spanish success in the morning of the western front at Kueiaphar where the enemy was defeated with great loss.

HEIGHTS OCCUPIED.

Paris, Sept. 13. A "Tempo" message from Tafrant states that the French occupied the Eribane heights without resistance.

The French offensive has generally halted for the purpose of consolidating the positions gained.

The enemy has been dispersed south of Taza with heavy losses. The French captured two guns on the Tafrant front.

FATAL CRASH.

TRAGIC AVIATION VENTURE.

FRENCHMAN KILLED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 14.

The aviators Therry and Coste left the Blamps aerodrome at six o'clock this morning to attempt a non-stop flight to Constantinople, Baghdad, Bunderabas and Karachai.

They had high hopes of beating several records, but at ten o'clock this morning the machine crashed and was wrecked in the New Forest.

Therry was killed. Coste was severely injured and is now in hospital at Freiburg.

EUROPE'S PEACE.

PROPOSED SECURITY PACT.

COMING CONFERENCE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, Sept. 13.

Signor Mussolini, Italy's Premier, has accepted an invitation to attend the conference of Allied Foreign Ministers on the proposed security pact, though he has not yet decided whether he will personally attend.

It is anticipated that the projected conference will be divided into two parts, the first dealing with the western pact in which Belgium will participate and the second dealing with the Eastern pact which will be attended by representatives of Poland and Czechoslovakia.

It is learned that Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Britain's Foreign Minister, has already had conversations with the Foreign Ministers of Poland and Czechoslovakia regarding the conference.

HOME CRICKET.

YORKSHIRE PLAY "THE REST."

FOUR-DAY MATCH.

On Saturday the match—county champions v. the Rest of England—commenced at the Oval and there has been some wonder as to how the latter team will be constituted.

This is a four-day match and opinions differ as to whether any one county could play the Rest. The picking of the team sometimes gives an indication as to the All-England team with the exception that places will have to be found, later on, for those in the Yorkshire team—they being the champions and now facing the opposition.

The gentleman who has been sending the "China Mail" his predictions as to what the next England Test Match team will be, baring accidents, has now made up a list as to how the team facing Yorkshire has been chosen, or, ought to have been chosen. In batting order it is:

Hobbs, J. B. (Surrey), Sandham, A. (Surrey), Dipper, A. G. (Gloucester), Hallows, C. (Lancs.), Hendren, E. (Middlesex), A. W. Carr (Notts) captain, Hon. F. S. G. Calthorpe (Warwick),

P. G. H. Fender (Surrey), Tate, M. W. (Sussex), MacDonald, E. A. (Lancs.), Parker, C. (Gloucester), Strudwick, H. (Surrey).

This, the gentleman maintains, is very strong in batting, there are five bowlers who make a combination of variety, and the team is well blended.

SPEY CUP BOWLS.

I.R.C. DEFEAT KOWLOON DOCK.

YESTERDAY'S MATCH.

Playing in the Spey Cup competition yesterday, the Indian Recreation Club defeated the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club by 25 shots to 10.

The match took place on the Craigengower Cricket Club's green, Happy Valley.

The teams and score follow:

I.R.C. K.D.R.C. U. M. Omar E. Docherty D. Rumjahn 25 F. Cullen 10 (Earlier results will be found elsewhere in this issue.)

RACE MEETING.

NEXT BANK HOLIDAY EVENTS.

On Saturday, October 10, and Monday (Bank Holiday), October 12, the sixth extra race meeting of the season will take place at Happy Valley, weather permitting.

Entries close on Saturday, September 26.

DAVIS CUP.

AMERICA WINS ALL MATCHES.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Philadelphia, Sept. 12.

In the Davis Cup challenge round W. T. Tilden (U.S.A.) beat Rene Lacoste (France) 9-6, 10-12, 8-6, 7-5, 6-2.

Johnston beat Borotra, 6-1, 6-4, 6-0.

Tilden was nearly three hours saving the match against the confident Lacoste who was faultless in the first two sets after which Tilden was four times within the point of defeat but recovered his inevitable style. Johnston overwhelmed Borotra in under an hour. The Californian's driving and placing were superb.

Washington, September 13. President Coolidge has appointed a special board of nine members to enquire into the adequacy of American air power.—Reuter's American Service.

Vice-President's Speech.

At the close of the tennis tournament the large gathering assembled in front of the Clubhouse to witness the presentation of last season's cricket and tennis prizes.

The Vice-President, Mr. Ezra

Abramson, in formally opening

this part of the proceedings, said

that he had occasion at the

annual general meeting on Friday

night to make some observations

regarding cricket and tennis, and

he hoped that he would be excused

if he repeated some of these re-

marks. Their tennis season proper, it might be said, had been

brought to a close by the advent

of the cricket season. At the

same time tennis players could

always keep up their practice of

the cricket off days—when there

was no match on that ground—

and he trusted that many of them

would do so. Their cricketers

would undoubtedly welcome the

commencement of the cricket sea-

son in a fortnight's time. He was

sure that with the material they

HOME SOCCER.

HEARTS GET SEVEN TO NIL.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Sept. 12.

The following football matches were played to-day:

Division I.

Arsenal 2 Liverpool 1, Newcastle 2, Blackburn 2, West Bromwich 2, Bury 1, Birmingham 1, Everton 1, Tottenham 1, Huddersfield 1, Cardiff 1, Leicester 3, Leeds 0, Manchester C. 3, Bolton 0, Notts. C. 3, Sheffield 0, Sunderland 0, West Ham 0, Barnsley 0.

Division II.

Blackpool 1, Derby 2, Barnsley 2, Chelsea 3, Stockport 1, Darlington 3, Bradford 0, Oldham 4, Fulham 0, Wednesday 5, Southampton 2, Stoke 0, Middlesb. 0, Wolves 4, Portsmouth 1.

Division III (South).

Bournemouth 1, Reading 1, Brighton 6, Northampton 1, Exeter 0, Abberdon 1, Gillingham 0, Bristol R. 3, Newport 4, Queen's Park 1, Plymouth 0, Millwall 0, Southend 0, Rochdale 5, Hartlepools 2, New Brighton 1, Rotherham 2, Luton 0.

Division III (North).

Ashington 2, Crewe 0, Bradford 3, Lincoln 6, Accrington 0, Chesterfield 2, Durham 0, Doncaster 1, Grimsby 1, Halifax 0, Southport 3, Walsall 2, Rotherham 1, Wrexham 2.

Scottish League.

Aberdeen 3, Rangers 1, Celtic 6, Cowdenbeath 1, Dundee 2, Hamilton 2, Hearts 7, Clydebank 0, Kilmarnock 2, Morton 0, Motherwell 2, Hibernian 1, Partick 2, Falkirk 3, Ardriovinians 1, St. Johnstone 0, Dundee U. 1, St. Mirren 3, Queen's Park 1.

PRIZE LIST.

The following is the prize list:

Cricket—Season 1924, 25.

1st XI.—First Batting, A. W.

Ramsay.

1st XI.—First Bowling, F.

Goodwin.

2nd XI.—First Batting, O. B.

Raven.

2nd XI.—First Bowling, B. B.

Petheram.

Century Score—A. W. Ram-

say.

Tennis—Annual Tournament,

1925.

Club Championship—Winner,

S. E. Green; Runner-up, W. Hyde.

Handicap Singles "A"—Win-

ner, E. C. Fincher; Runner-up,

S. E. Green.

Handicap Singles "B"—Win-

ner, C. V. Curtis; Runner-up,

to be decided between W. S. V.

Curtis and A. J. Kew.

Serata Pairs—Winners, T.

Lay and N. Tramitzky; Run-

ners-up, E. C. Fincher and

A. W. L. Ramsay.

Doubles Handicap—Winners,

T. Lay and N. Tramitzky; Run-

ners-up, F. Wheeler and C. E.

Millar.

Mixed Doubles—Winners, T.

Lay and Mrs. McCaw; Run-

ners-up, S. E. Green and Mrs. Green.

CORRESPONDENCE.**LOCAL APATHY.**

(To the Editor of the *China Mail*.)

Sir,—Referring to my letter to you on Friday last, on the subject of the general slackness that seems to be overtaking Hongkong, you instance the specific case of the anti-malarial work.

Here is a concrete case dealing with both your specific case and my generalisation. If one goes along Praya East one will notice

that a considerable part of it is

"up"—near Anton St, the Market

and the Police station, particularly.

Also that the side streets are not

streets at all but either dumps for

rubbish material, or else gaping

excavations that must remain one of

the Yipeng Sulfur. They have been

like this, literally, for years.

Now when the streets are dug

up, the soil is thrown up indiscriminately, anywhere. The result is,

in more than one case, it is piled up

over the drain, blocking stagnant

water, in which garbage thrown

out of the houses has collected,

the whole making a sight which is

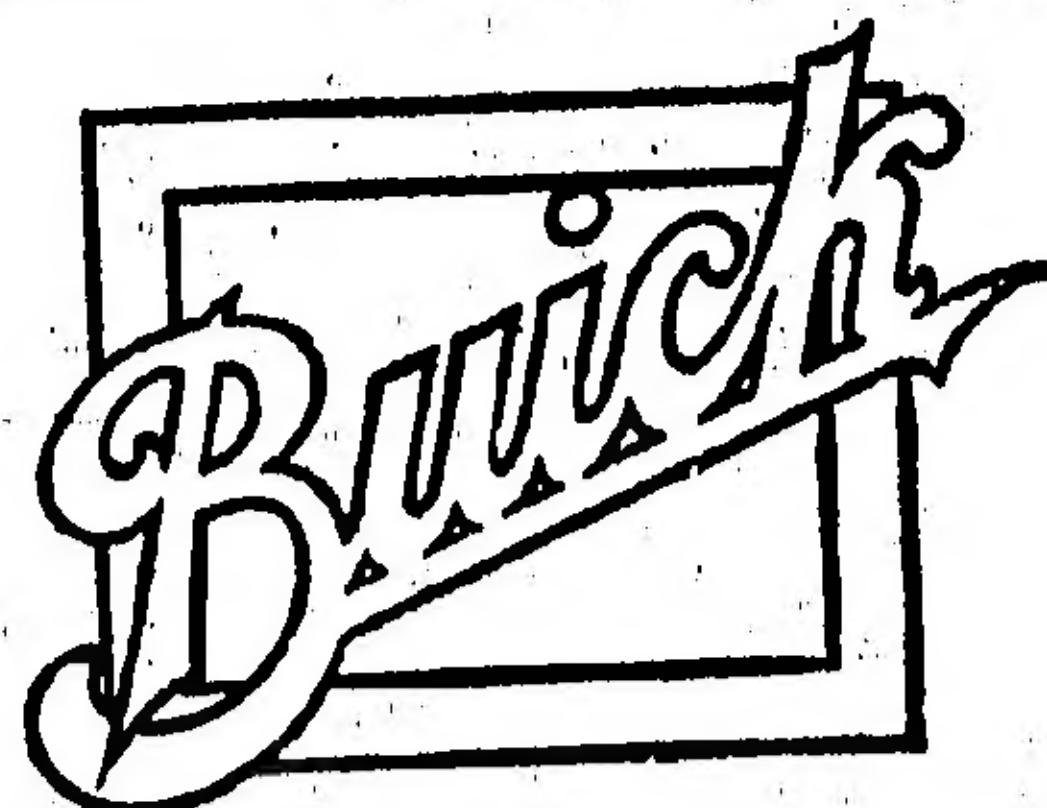
a sheer disgrace to a civilised city

let alone the "Pearl of the Orient."

What the Chinese members of

the Legislative Council can be

thinking of to allow them to be



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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Broadcasters gave another excellent show at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night, when they concluded their season in Hongkong.

Thousands of little keepsakes and comforts, intended for American soldiers in France and which never reached those to whom they were addressed, were turned over by the War Department to the Postmaster-General for disposition through the dead letter office. Addresses had been destroyed or so mutilated as to prevent delivery.

There is a "slump" on the monocle market. A superstition is running round the West End that monocles are unlucky, in view of the prominence given to the recent arrest of the "monocle" man. "Our sale of monocles has dwindled to almost nil," said the manager of a leading West End optician. "It is now confined almost entirely to those men who actually need them—i.e., those who suffer from astigmatism. It is not generally realised that at least two-thirds of the monocles now being worn in society are made of plain glass, bevelled at the edges. Even very prominent men wear monocles purely for their decorative effect. Since the 'monocle' man came we have sold practically no plain-glassed monocles. They are supposed to bring bad luck."

Says Truth:—The implications of "the traffic in arms" should be brought home to the public in this country by the case of Ching Kai Chai, the Chinese cook of a British steamer, who at West Ham was fined £478 4s. (six months' imprisonment in default) "for knowingly harbouring and concealing" revolvers, Mauser pistols, and ammunition to the value of £100 on his ship—not to mention smuggling opium, for which he got another six months without option. Ching had stowed these precious goods in a tank for conveyance to his native land, where a ready and active market doubtless awaited them. A noteworthy feature in the case was that the munitions of war were put on board the ship at Hamburg. Hitherto the only known exporters of munitions for China have been French and American. Now the Germans are competing in the nefarious trade, and before our eyes in China are the results that come of it. When shall we know the outcome of all the talk recently devoted to this subject at Geneva?

Albert Johnson of New York has announced that a pigeon belonging to him which had been released from the liner "Paris" 1,000 miles at sea by friends of his had arrived back home. He believed this to be the longest pigeon flight on record.

"There are more vacancies for a £10,000 a year man than there are for a £2 a week man, because there are practically no vacancies for the latter," said Sir William Joynson-Hicks, British Home Secretary of State, at this year's prize distribution at Dean Close School, Cheltenham. "But the big jobs," he added, "are not for the man who will only work the ordinary hours, and is content with the ordinary trade union wages." Sir William put his finger on Great Britain's main industrial difficulty at present. It is a difficulty which depends on the fact that labour efficiency in Great Britain has not yet increased in the same ratio as wages.

That guidebooks are fallible is the reluctant conclusion of a member of the Royal Geographical Society who writes as follows to the editor of the "Daily Mail": "Sir: Nelson, we all agree, stands high in public esteem, but how high does he stand in the sky? Desiring today to know the height of the column in Trafalgar Square, I referred to Baedeker's Guide to London (edition of 1923), which gave the total height as 170½ feet, of which the statue is 17 feet. Then I turned to Baedeker's London for 1911. The column (at that time certainly 12 years younger) was then declared to be 145 feet. My curiosity now thoroughly aroused, I fell upon Muirhead's Guide to London, edition 1922, which told me that the column was then 142 feet high. Next, Cassell's Guide to London (1921) gave the column's height as 145 feet. Cunningham's Handbook for London, 1849, told me the statue was not 17 but 18 feet high. Then I ascertained when the Nelson column was erected. The statue was set up in 1843, said Cunningham. The column was begun in 1840, said Baedeker (1923), but not completed until 1867. The monument was erected in 1843, said Baedeker (1911). The Nelson column was erected in 1840," said Cassell. The monument was erected, said Muirhead, in 1840-43. I begin to distrust guidebooks."

Eighty-five aeroplanes costing Tcs. 412,467 were imported into Siam in the last fiscal year, seventy-five the year before, and twenty-five three years ago.

Examinations have been proceeding in London schools, with the usual crop of howlers and occasional answers that denote the wisdom of a philosopher beneath the guilelessness of a child. At one school the children were asked to explain the difference between conscience and cowardice. One child replied: "Conscience is when you are afraid. Cowardice is when the other fellow's afraid." At another school the history class were asked to write a brief account of the life of Joan of Arc. One paper read: "Joan of Arc: She was good, she was brave, she was honest, she was burnt."

Women surgeons are to gain equal privileges with men in regard to their membership of the Royal College of Surgeons. The secretary of the College stated in an interview that it is contemplated at the next meeting of the Council of the College to consider the question of making application to the Privy Council for a supplementary charter to admit women on equal terms with men. Though women have previously become Fellows and members of the College by virtue of an Act of Parliament, they have possessed no corporate rights. If the proposed request of the Council is granted, the present women Fellows and members will have full voting power and the right to be elected to the Council.

South Sea Islanders are soon to have wireless communication with the outside world. When the Rev. G. H. Eastman, of the London Missionary Society, leaves for the Gilbert Islands, he will take with him a number of radio sets for distribution among the natives. Coconut palms 80 to 90 feet high are to be used for aerial poles, and it is hoped to be able to pick up the wireless concerts at Sydney, Australia. The Gilbert Islands probably are the most lonely and primitive of all the British possessions in the South Seas and communication with Sydney, more than 2,000 miles from the islands, is only possible by means of steamers, which sometimes are seven and eight months apart, and food supplies sometimes dwindle.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Rev. P. B. Clayton, M.C., of Toc H. fame, arrives in Singapore on Saturday, October 3, and leaves on Monday, October 5.

According to a report published in the "Morning Post," Admiral Beatty is about to resign command of the British Fleet. Admiral Sir John de Roebeck and Admiral Sir Charles Madden are mentioned as successors.

Mr. W. M. E. Martin, assistant conservator of forests, Tampin, shot a fully grown male tiger 7½ feet in length, at Johol, on the Negri Sembilan boundary. The animal was driven out of the jungle by local Malays and shot by Mr. Martin on foot.

Cyril Tolley, the former golf champion, has entered for tennis tournaments under the name of "A. Birdie." Golfers facetiously applaud his modesty, remarking that he might, for instance, have chosen "A. N. Eagle." Tolley made a successful first appearance in the Buxton tennis tournament.

"I know from experience that housewives would find it better to ask for Empire goods," said the Queen during her Wembly visit. When told that the housewives did not ask for Empire goods, Her Majesty said: "I'm afraid that is the real trouble—they take what is offered." During the visit the Queen sympathetically asked a lost boy whether he were worried, but he replied, "No, I gotta apple."

Pressure was brought to bear on Jack Sharp, captain of the Lancashire cricket team, to reconsider his decision not to play at the Old Trafford Ground in the remaining two matches of the season, because the crowd, known as "the wolves of the cricket field," barracked unmercifully when Sharp dropped a catch against Middlesex. The captain admitted that Sharp had good grounds for soreness. A large section of Old Trafford spectators are repeatedly unfriendly.

Miss C. O. Frost and Mr. A. J. Pilgrim returned to the Colony by the "Siberia Maru" yesterday.

Signorina Edda, the 16-year-old daughter of Signor Mussolini, is reported to have rescued at Catolica, a health resort on the Adriatic, a young girl who got into difficulties while swimming, and was on the point of drowning.

A man who was at school with Kipling— to whom, therefore, "Stalky & Co." is an open book, passes on the somewhat surprising fact that "young Kipling" was not very popular among his schoolmates, because he was always getting himself excused from games on the ground of delicateness. Strange (isn't it?) that the apostle of Jingism should have started life as a milkshop. But such is the way of the world.

Nothing under the sun is new, not even the present mode in Oxford trousers. In the 80's of last century one of the most popular and best known figures in the University was Dr. John Richard McGrath, Provost of Queen's College. He was a short, handsome man, with a long white beard, and always wore immensely wide trousers. Sir Arthur Griffith-Boscawen, who was a member of Queen's in those days, says in his recent book of "Memories," that they had a College song about him. He quotes one verse, most of the other not being couched in Parliamentary language:

He has a long beard which he playfully wags
When he does the refined
He does
And nothing in Oxford can
equal the rage
Of Dr. John Richard
McGrath

The Bombay Municipal Corporation Hall presented an animated scene recently when Joseph Baptiste was elected president of the corporation amidst the cheers of his supporters. This is the first time for two decades that a native Christian has occupied the presidential chair.

King George has become more of an outdoor enthusiast than ever. Early in the spring he had a specially fitted summer house placed in the gardens of Buckingham Palace, where he carried on his routine work in the unusually warm weather which London experienced all through June and early July this year.

There is a distinct possibility that London will shortly experience the pleasure of seeing Mrs. Patrick Campbell in the West End. Off the stage, she is one of the world's champion leg-pullers. When she was introduced to Mr. H. G. Wells, she instantly began to ply him with questions about boxing. He apologised for his inability to answer them, saying that he was comparatively ignorant of the art. "Oh!" exclaimed Mrs. Pat, disappointedly, "I thought you were Mr. Bomber Wells."

Austin Chamberlain, presiding over a dinner of the Gardeners Royal Benevolent Institution, told a good story about himself. After a strenuous week's work in the Councils of the League of Nations in Geneva, he had arranged an afternoon to visit a certain wretched garden, for he is a great gardening enthusiast. When the dinner was concluded on Friday, said the British Foreign Minister, he had arranged to see his garden, which with a number of foreign Ministers, was everywhere. But he added, "I have only one bit of advice to give you, and that is to have a good time."

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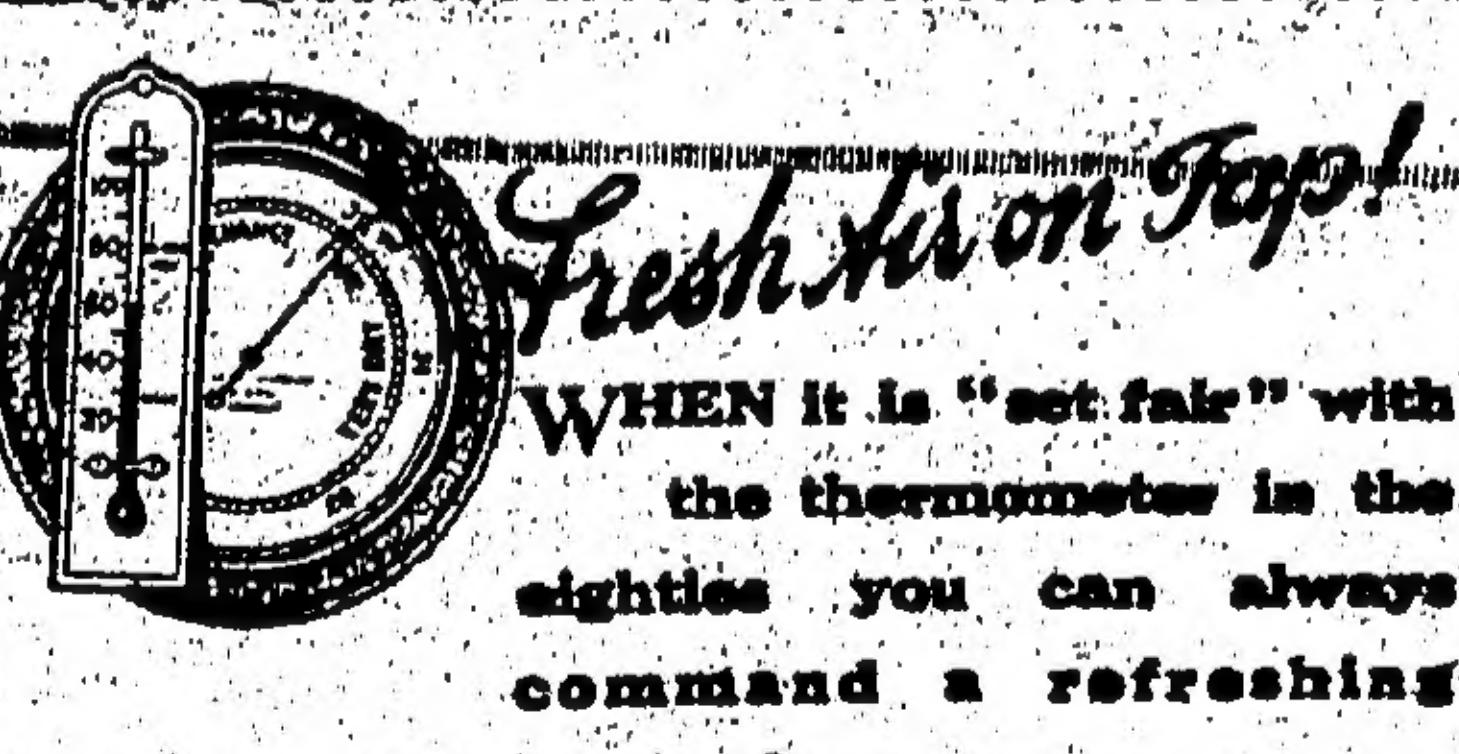
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WEEK-END BASEBALL

GOOD PLAY IN DOUBLE HEADERS.

The Japanese Club and South China A.A. each gained victory by one-run margins over the Hongkong Baseball Club and the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps at the Happy Valley diamond on Saturday afternoon, and improved their standing in the League.

The result was a draw—one goal each—but the game provided good practice for the more serious matches ahead. The standard of football provided was good, being proof that both teams will have to be reckoned with in the League and Shield ties.

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The fourth and fifth innings of the Volunteers provided some spectacular fielding. Burns and Lammert were put out at first base by a remarkable double movement between the first and second base men, and they also accounted for Howell. In the latter inning a similar movement between catcher and first base disposed of Curtis, who had almost reached the plate, and Owen Hughes who was taking first base.

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LOCAL FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON v. POLICE "FRIENDLY."

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LAWN BOWLS.

TAIKOO TEAMS WIN AND LOSE.

In the Second Division of the Bowls League the Taikoo Recreation Club visited the Kowloon Cricket Club's ground on Saturday night. A little rain fell shortly after the close of the programme of races and during the diving exhibition, causing some inconvenience to those in the open, but it soon cleared for the programme to be completed in full with the water polo match.

Amongst interested spectators were H.E. the Governor, Sir Reginald E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G., who was accompanied by Mr. T. G. Gifford-St. Lawrence, (Private Secretary) and Capt. Swinton, M.C. (A.D.C.), the Hon. Sir Claud Severn, C.M.G., LL.D., Sir Henry Gollan, Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, and Mr. W. Logan.

As will be seen from the results, the various events were keenly contested. The entries were good, the 100 yards Members' Aggregate providing two heats, the One Length Scratch Race, three heats, and three teams competing in the Team Race for numbers.

The running header from spring board and the diving exhibition were quite spectacular and the competitors gained the applause of the spectators.

In the Girls' Handicap the Misses M. George and P. Hunt secured the same places as last week, the winner improving the time by two seconds.

At the conclusion of the sports, Mr. W. Logan said that the V.R.C. had always something new to offer in the realm of sport and paid a tribute to Mr. R. C. Mitchell, the energetic Honorary Secretary. He also congratulated the mysterious men of H.M.S. "Hermes" who had competed with the Volunteers and beaten them. Mr. Logan called on Col. Robertson to give away the prizes, adding that he was one of the finest sportsmen in the Colony.

Col. Robertson considered that Col. Bird ought to be reprimanded for shifting the work on to him by going in search of refreshment. (Laughter). He had no option but to officiate, and he expressed thanks to the swimmers for their splendid performance.

Cheers were called for and heartily given, and dancing followed to the strains of the Lyric Orchestra.

RESULTS.

100 YARDS MEMBERS' AGGREGATE (Final).—1, G. Razavet; 2, E. Assumpcao. Time: 62, 66 2/5 sec.

YOUTH RACE, 100 YARDS HANDICAP.—1, L. Roza Pereira; 2, W. Matcham. Time: 72, 75 1/5 sec.

GIRLS' RACE, 50 YARDS HANDICAP.—1, Miss Maud George; 2, Miss Phyllis Hunt. Time: 37, 45 sec.

LADIES' 100 YARDS HANDICAP.—1, Miss M. Gourlay; 2, Miss B. George. Time: 1.40 2/5, 1.27 2/5 sec.

CHALLENGE TEAM RACE.—Officers of H.M.S. "Hermes" beat Officers of Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. The teams were—Volunteers: Lieuts. Davies, Concannon, Penn, Bartholomew, Mitchell and Moncrief. "Hermes": Lieuts. Grant, Rodger, Richardson, Haines, Cardinell and Warner. Time: 3.15, 3.29.

TEAM RACE, MEMBERS.—D. Lyon's team won from teams led by G. Razavet and B. Rasmussen. Time: 2.48.

BOYS' 50 YARDS HANDICAP.—1, Jack Lyon; 2, J. McCubbin. Time: 33 3/5, 39 1/5 sec.

ONE LENGTH SCRATCH (OPEN) 25 YARDS (Final).—1, E. Noronha; 2, G. Razavet. Time: 11 3/5, 12 sec.

WATER POLO.

TEAMS FROM THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS AND THE VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB TOOK PART IN A WATER POLO MATCH, THE TEAMS BEING—

H.V.D.C.—D. Lyon, G. R. Razavet, E. Railton, K. Mason, S. H. Garrod, V. Ramsay and E. Brodie.

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SAPPERS v. H.K.V.D.C. SAPPERS.

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Altogether 16 sets were played, the Royal Engineers winning 11 sets and the balance going to the Volunteers.

Detailed results follow:—

Staff-Sergt. Higgs and Q.M.S. Faro (R.E.) beat Rice and Pryor (Volunteers) 9-0.

Q.M.S. Faro and Staff-Sergt. Higgs (R.E.) also beat Jarrett and Harman (Volunteers) 9-0.

Smith and Westlake (Volunteers) beat Col. Trevelyan and Q.M.S. Brown (R.E.) 5-4.

Pryor and Hugh Jones (Volunteers) beat Sergt.-Major Smith and Col. MacIntosh (R.E.) 6-3.

Sergts. Cockell and Blondin (R.E.) beat Best and Westlake (Volunteers) 8-1.

Col. MacIntosh and Sergt. Major Smith (R.E.) beat Maskell and Pryor (Volunteers) 7-2.

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It is exactly thirty years since the ex-Kaiser made his final bid for supremacy at Cowes. For some years he had been "ostentatiously sustaining the newly-assumed rôle of a yachting enthusiast, openly contesting the Prince's rightful place of social prominence during the regatta week"; but it was in 1895 that he resolved on beating all comers in the actual racing, and commissioned the builders of "Britannia" to build him a yacht on the same lines, but on a larger scale. This was done and "Meteor II." was the result, says the "Morning Post." It was also the beginning of the end of King Edward's active participation in yacht racing, for he had grown very tired of his nephew's overbearing conceit when at Cowes.

The Gladstone Libels.

Public gratitude is owing to the sons of Mr. Gladstone for the prompt and straightforward manner in which they have vindicated the memory of their father, says the "Sunday Times." Columns such as the one perpetrated by Captain Peter Wright can live only in the darkness; when brought out into the light of day they lose their vital force, and die the contemptible death they deserve. Captain Wright has been held up by Lord Gladstone to public disdain, branded as a liar and a coward, and challenged to defend himself. Protected from punishment by the law which disallows "libels" on a dead man, he is further guarded by his own not wholly admirable prudence—a prudence largely attained, no doubt, by the consciousness that Lord Gladstone's epithets are fully warranted. By this judicious inactivity, however, he condemns himself and his book, and leaves the reputation of his victim as completely as any law-suit could have done.

Captain Wright, indeed, has small reason to congratulate himself. It is an unenviable notoriety which he has won for himself; and one can scarcely believe that the sales of his book will, as he has impudently suggested, be increased by the publicity his scandal-mongering has achieved. If he has not been chastised with whips, he will not escape the scorpions of public opinion which can be grievous in their chastisement. And out of this unpleasant business may come some good results. The reputation of Mr. Gladstone will stand the clearer and the nobler for this mendacious and gross assault; and the public will be warned by the exposure of the desamer to be chary in future of putting its faith in the muck-rakers of literature.

The Oldest Surgeon.

"Who is the oldest practising surgeon?" some one asked at lunch. The answer, "Dr. Mary Scherlieb," came as a surprise, for no one had thought of a woman in this connection, says a writer in the "Daily Express."

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"Jack the Clipper."

The misdeeds of an alleged killer, "Jack the Clipper," who cut the hair of girls and young women at night and disappeared, have created a sensation in many parts of Reggio Emilia. The police were disconcerted, and the public became excited. Nearly every day or evening fresh cases were reported, and the police were unable to trace the supposed miscreant. The secret has now been discovered, and it appears that the girls themselves cut their hair. Many a young lass longed to wear short hair, but her parents objected. To satisfy their longing for the new fashion, the girls, therefore, secretly cut their own hair, and in order to escape paternal correction, invented the story of having been assailed. The mysterious cases, however, became too numerous, and some of the young persons confessed. The public, nevertheless, continued to be excited, and in one case a comical traveller when speaking to a girl on a country road was followed by a crowd and severely beaten.

Tragic Wedding Night.

A terrible story of a love entanglement which led a young husband and his bride to commit murder on their wedding night is reported from Fresney-le-Grand, near Saint Quentin. The bridegroom, Alfred Maseret, had for some time had guilty relations with his brother's wife, Jeanne Maseret, but recently decided to end this relationship and to marry Simone Panier, a girl of 17. Jeanne Maseret, however, jealous of her younger rival, did all she could to dissuade her lover from marrying, and finally threatened to kill him, if he deserted her. Maseret, therefore, got her out of the way by a trick. He announced to her that he was going to Cucuron to see a girl he had met during the war. Jeanne Maseret, prompted by her jealousy, went to Cucuron on the following day to spy upon her lover, but found after several days of inquiry that he had never been there. When she returned to the village to seek his explanation, however, she found that he had just married Simone Panier. The newly-married couple were asleep when, at the dead of night, they were roused by Jeanne Maseret, who forced her way into the house and made a savage attack on the young bride. There was a short but desperate tussle, and then Jeanne Maseret fainted, overcome by her emotions. She never regained consciousness, for the young couple seized this opportunity to silence for ever the disturber of their peace. Jeanne Maseret was thrust into a well. But the crime lay heavy on the newly-married couple's conscience, and they have now confessed to the police.

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